

The Georgia Board of Nursing met May 4, 2004 via teleconference at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217-3858.

## **TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2004**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Linda Roberts-Betsch, RN, DSN, President  
Joan Darden, RN, Ph.D.  
Linda Herren, RN, CRNA  
Scott Thigpen, RN, MSN, CEN, CCRN  
Karen Wessinger, BSHE

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Marbury Stegall, RN, MN, CS, Vice-President

### **STAFF PRESENT**

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA Executive Director  
Deborah Beard, Compliance Manager  
Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary  
Katrina Martin, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Practice  
Kathy Harvey, Area Supervisor, Enforcement  
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General

Dr. Roberts-Betsch called the meeting to order at 4:13 p.m.

Mrs. Herren moved, Mrs. Wessinger seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-19(h) and 43-26-11 *to deliberate enforcement matters and to receive information on investigative reports and administrative cases*. The motion passed unanimously. Those who voted to enter into Executive Session: Dr. Darden, Mrs. Herren, Mr. Thigpen, and Mrs. Wessinger.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, Dr. Roberts-Betsch declared the meeting to be “Open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. 50-14-1-et. seq.

### **DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

**RNI030109** – Mrs. Herren moved to order the nurse to have an updated M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination. Results are to be forwarded for Full Board review. If warranted, refer to the Attorney General’s office for a Hearing or Consent Order utilizing evaluation results and/or recommendations. If not warranted, close case.

In addition, Mrs. Herren moved the previous Docketed Consent Order, #2004-0523, dated April 20, 2004 be Null and Void. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**RNI040382** – Mr. Thigpen moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for an Expedited M/P/E utilizing the Confidential Order for Mental Physical Examination, to be completed within 14 days of receipt of Consent Order letter. Results are to be forwarded, within 30 days of docketed date, for review by the Cognizant Board Member. If results are not received within 30 days, refer to the Attorney General’s office for a Hearing or Consent Order to include suspension. Dr. Darden seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **MISCELLANEOUS- APPLICATION REVIEW**

**RNI040214-** Dr. Darden moved to proceed with reinstatement of licensure. Mr. Thigpen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **MAY 2004 BOARD MEETING**

Due to the amount of business to be discussed at the May 19-21, 2004 Board meeting, it is the unanimous decision of the Board to meet as scheduled for a three (3) day session.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

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Linda Roberts-Betsch, President

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Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director

The minutes were recorded by Monica Bridges-Roberts, Board Secretary, and approved on May 20, 2004.